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## COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

### SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

#### News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, August 10.—The farmers in this section are having bad weather to gather their fodder; rain every day. Some have had the blades pulled more than a week hanging on the stalks waiting for them to cure, so they can be banded and stacked. They are not in such haste about their cotton. The war in Europe has gotten them somewhat in doubt about rushing it on the market this season. They fear the price is going to be short.

The ladies are busy canning all the surplus tomatoes, beans, peas, fruits, and the like, that they can get. Not a bad idea to have them when winter comes and something to cook is hard to get.

The Carolina Gin Co., at this place, has built a seed house, and done some other needed repairs to make it more convenient for their customers.

Our town fathers have the streets lighted by electricity and it makes a lot of difference to the darkness that prevailed heretofore, a big improvement. Next, but not least, is the school building. Will soon be time for school to open up and have heard nothing about commencing the building.

Next Saturday is the 15th, and the fourth class postmasters will have to stand the civil service examination for the position before appointment by the postmaster general.

We have Mutt and Jeff in town now. One manages the electric light plant and the other the telephone system. Phone service is on all night now.

Visitors: Mr. Jacobs and family, Mrs. W. B. Moore, and Miss Hattie VanLehe at Mr. J. M. Smith's; and the Misses Kirkland at Mrs. S. W. Brown's.

The reunion, held under the auspices of the Newberry college students of Bamberg and Barnwell counties, was quite a success and a credit also to the college. Several good speakers were heard, new officers were elected and time of next reunion was set for Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in July, 1915.

Mr. Charles Ehrhardt, contemplates putting up three brick stores on Main street in the near future. JEE.

#### Colston Dots.

Colston, August 10.—Everything is progressing fine in our midst at this time. The farmers are about ready to harvest their fodder, and we hope to have some better weather.

There was a birthday party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jake McMillan in honor of their daughter, Miss Frozene. It was largely attended. Refreshments were served and all reported a very pleasant time.

Miss Pearl Barr, of Denmark, is spending some time with Mrs. M. L. Zorn.

We are glad to see Mrs. H. K. Clayton out again, after a short illness.

We were sorry to learn of Grady McMillan's accident, while out hunting last Thursday night. He was kicked by a mule. While the injury is painful, it is not serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilman Sandifer and sons are spending a few days with their mother, Mrs. Sam Clayton.

We are glad to see Miss Nell Clayton home again from the summer school.

Mr. Barney Bishop is all smiles—it's a girl. A. P.

#### Denmark Personals.

Denmark, Aug. 8.—Miss Louise Zeigler has recently returned from summer school at Winthrop and has as her guest, Miss Lalla Byrd, of Bamberg, and Miss Rose Herbert of Rock Hill.

Jim Fogle has returned home from a visit to Wrightsville, Saluda, Hendersonville and Columbia.

Mrs. D. W. Poyas and family returned to her home in Hendersonville on Friday, after spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Guess.

Miss Mattie Carter, of Sumter, is visiting Mrs. S. D. Guess.

Miss Dorothy Hart, of Estill, is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Crum.

After spending several months with Mrs. Miller in Abbeville, Miss Minnie Blount is on a visit to friends here, en route to her home in Fairfax.

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## OFFICER SHOT WRONG MAN.

### Negro Killed at Cope Proves to Be Innocent Party.

Cope, Aug. 7.—Wednesday night, just as the passenger train was pulling out for Augusta, a negro jumped off after the train had gone several coach lengths. Rural Officer Browning, who with several others were watching the train and street corners for one Sam James, for whom they had a warrant, took this man to be James, and grabbed at him from where he was in watching, between two box cars on the siding, but his foot slipping, and the negro, jerking away and refusing the command to halt, caused the officer to miss his aim and by running off made the officer think he was the party he wanted. Officer Browning shot at his heels and as he did not halt he kept shooting at his feet; the fleeing man ran four car lengths and then ducked under the fourth, or last car on the siding. It was just after he passed under this car that Officer Browning stooped and fired, and it is presumed that this shot took effect, as it was found soon after that the party was shot in the thigh, and also that said party was not Sam James, the negro wanted, but Julian Pendarvis, an innocent negro. Pendarvis's pistol was found almost under the car that he dodged under, his pistol falling from his pocket while stooping.

Officer Browning regrets exceedingly the occurrence, but feels that he was only fulfilling his duty. Dr. Kirkland was away at Bamberg, but a telephone call soon had him here. He dressed the wound, a bullet hole clear through the thigh; left medicine for the wounded man and returned to Bamberg to his sick wife.

Thursday morning about 9 o'clock, word was received that Pendarvis was dead. The sheriff and also the coroner were notified of above facts immediately. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that the killing was accidental.

#### Cope Cullings.

Cope, Aug. 6.—On last Sunday afternoon this section was visited by what the oldest inhabitants claim to have been the heaviest rain they had ever seen, and as it continues raining day and night, about half of the time, the fodder and cotton crop outlook begins to look somewhat gloomy. These conditions, together with the effect of the war, make the business men and the farmer, in particular, scratch their heads and wonder as to the outcome of it all.

Those who own gineries are getting them in shape for the season. Mr. J. I. Valentine is building a new outfit and will install four 70-saw gins of the Murray system. He will use an hydraulic press. Mr. John H. Cope has added to his gin house and put in two more gins; he has four 70-saw gins, Leiddell system, hydraulic press and a Skinner automatic engine. Other and smaller gineries are run by Messrs J. D. Thomas, J. D. Cleckley, N. J. Thomas, J. B. Williams, S. B. Cope, F. E. Cope, J. N. Fogle and Mrs. J. B. Traywick.

Misses Kathleen Lander, of Pelzer, Aileen Hammond, of Spartanburg, and Edna Jennings, of Cope, are visiting Miss Vera Thomas.

Mr. J. B. Croft, of Sycamore, after a visit of several days to his brother, J. D. Croft, returned home yesterday. Mrs. J. C. Gray and daughters are up at North, S. C., for the week, among relatives.

Last night about 11 o'clock Sam James cut Felder Busby in the right side; he must have used a great deal of force with the stroke, as he cut one rib in two, and half-way into another, the force breaking the second rib in two. James is at large, but is expected to be arrested this afternoon, as a warrant has been taken out for him, and the rural policeman notified. The above are negroes.

#### St. John's News.

Ehrhardt, August 10.—Our Sunday-school met yesterday afternoon. It being the regular time for the election of officers and teachers to serve for the coming conventional year, Mr. J. P. Hiers was re-elected to serve as superintendent, and Mr. Bradley Hiers was elected secretary and treasurer. On account of such a small crowd we did not elect our teachers. On next Sunday afternoon at four o'clock we will meet and elect teachers to serve for the coming year. Mr. J. G. Herndon, who was superintendent of our school before moving to Ehrhardt, has kindly promised to be with us on next Sunday, and help in encouraging a larger attendance upon the Sunday-school. The people of our community and the public are cordially invited to meet

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

### SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

#### State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

The dispensary sales in South Carolina in July amounted to \$290,918.11, according to the statement of the dispensary auditor, who estimates that the total sales for the year will reach \$4,000,000.

A large delegation of South Carolinians left yesterday for Washington to attend the meeting of the Southern Cotton Congress, which convenes today to take measures for the protection of the cotton crop.

Earl Patterson, a thirteen-year-old youth of Allendale, was overcome by gas Monday, while he was working on an acetylene gas generator. He died from the effects about an hour before his body was found.

Col. W. J. Talbert, of Parkville, has been appointed by the governor as a delegate from the second congressional district to the Southern cotton congress, to convene in Washington this week to discuss ways and means for caring for the cotton crop.

Many cities and towns in South Carolina suspended business for a few minutes Tuesday during the burial of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson. The funeral train, bearing the president and family and the remains, passed through this State enroute to Rome, Ga., where the interment occurred.

#### FORTNER ARRESTED.

### Alleged He Produced a Commission as a Constable.

C. D. Fortner, of Spartanburg, candidate for railroad commissioner, was arrested Friday night by the city police on a charge of drunk and disorderly conduct and carried to the police station, where he left a bond of \$5.75 for his appearance in court this morning. Mr. Fortner failed to appear and his bond was forfeited.

According to information contained in the police records Mr. Fortner was found drunk and acting in a disorderly manner in the club room of William Poat, called the Arlington club, 1315 Main street. The arrest was made by Officer F. S. Strickland, assisted by Officer S. S. Shorter.

It is understood that Mr. Fortner when arrested produced a commission as constable signed by Governor Blease and declared to the officers that as a constable he could not be arrested. He was carried to the station, however, notwithstanding this protest.

Mr. Fortner has been for the past two sessions a member of the house of representatives from Spartanburg.—Columbia Record.

#### FINLEY INTRODUCES BILL.

### Presents Measure to Regulate Compensation of R. F. D. Men.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Congressman Finley introduced a bill today regulating the pay of rural letter carriers. It is provided that (as stated in the bill) after July 1, 1914, rural carriers shall receive as pay for a standard route of 24 miles or over, six days in the week, \$1,200 per annum; 22 miles, \$1,152; 20 miles, \$1,080; 18 miles, \$960; 16 miles, \$840; 14 miles, \$720; 12 miles, \$672; ten miles, \$624; eight miles, \$576; six miles, \$528; four miles, \$480.

A carrier serving one tri-weekly route shall be paid on the basis of a route one-half the length of the route served by him and a carrier serving two tri-weekly routes shall be paid on the basis for a route one-half of the combined length of the two routes.

with us. We invite, not only the children of the community, but all grown people, for surely we can learn something by meeting together and studying the Bible, then it will be training up the children in the way that they should go, and when they are men and women they will not depart therefrom.

Misses Sue Carter and Edith Hiers left on Saturday for a few days' visit in Charleston with their brothers, Messrs. Ira and Rahnard Carter and Pierce Hiers.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kinard carried their little daughter to Charleston on last Friday to have her examined by a physician there.

Our pastor, the Rev. E. A. McDowell, and family are in the up-country on their summer vacation. They will return about the first of September.

## APPEAL STAYS EXECUTION.

### Four Negroes Will Not Go to Chair Immediately.

Columbia, Aug. 6.—The execution of Meeks and Thomas Griffin, John Crosby and Nelson Brice, the four negro men sentenced to die on Friday, August 7, in the electric chair at the State penitentiary, has been stayed by an appeal to the supreme court of South Carolina.

The crime for which the convicted men were sentenced to the chair was the murder of Mr. John Q. Lewis, a Confederate veteran and well-to-do planter of Chester county. The crime was committed April 23, 1913. The four men were convicted and sentenced by Judge Ramage on July 12, 1913. The supreme court refused a new trial and the men were resented by Ernest Moore on July 6, 1914.

The State health department is again distributing ampules of typhoid serum around the State. Owing to the fact that the European war has cut off the German source of supply, the demand upon the Philadelphia handlers of the bacterin was too great to be immediately cared for successfully. Now, however, the distribution is satisfactorily rearranged. During the month of July just passed the State health department distributed more than 12,000 ampules about South Carolina. This is a decided increase over the distribution for July, 1913. In that month 6,652 injections of the serum were made—just half as many as during July of the present year.

#### 131 LIVES LOST.

### The Amphion Strikes a Mine, According to Admiralty Report.

London, Aug. 6.—(10.50 P. M.)—An admiralty report says the British cruiser Amphion was sunk this morning by striking a mine. Paymaster J. T. Gedge and 130 men were lost. The captain, sixteen officers and 135 men were saved.

A previous report said the German mine layer Koeningin Luise had probably placed some mines before she was sunk by the British torpedo boat Lance.

The Amphion was a light cruiser of 3,440 tons. She was attached to the third destroyer flotilla under Capt. Cecil H. Fox, commanding officer. Her regular complement was 292 men. She was commissioned in April 1913.

## BANKS CAN SUPPLY NEEDS.

### Williams Says They Are Able to Meet All Reasonable Requirements.

Washington, Aug. 8.—J. S. Williams, comptroller of the currency, in a statement tonight, declared the financial situation of the country is good and announced that national banks now are in position to meet all reasonable requirements.

"I see no reason," said Mr. Williams, "why there should be any suspension of currency payments anywhere in this country, and if this department hears of any national bank refusing to honor legitimate demands of its customers or correspondents for currency such delinquent bank will be promptly investigated."

Mr. Williams said shipments of additional currency up to the close of today's business has amounted to \$137,000,000.

#### Bees Kill Horse.

Florence, Aug. 8.—A horse belonging to J. Boyd Stanley, a farmer near the city, was stung to death yesterday in a lot on Dargan street. The horse in his restlessness kicked over two hives of bees and the enraged insects swarmed over him and literally stung him to death before he could be rescued.

## HIS LIFELESS BODY FOUND.

### Frank Brown Drowned From Launch in Wappoo Cut.

Charleston, Aug. 10.—The lifeless body of Frank Brown, who was drowned in Wappoo Cut Friday, was found floating near there yesterday and brought to Adger's wharf, where Coroner Mansfield viewed the body and ordered it delivered to an undertaker. The inquest will be held some time today.

Brown worked on the launch Carolina, which was bringing a raft to the city, and while stepping from the raft to the launch he is reported to have slipped and fallen. He was not rescued, it being thought that he came up under the raft and was drowned. His body was found at about the spot where he went down.

## DEATH OF MRS. WILSON

### WIFE OF PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES BRAVE TO THE END.

#### President's Grief Heartrending. First Death in White House in Twenty-two Years.

Washington, Aug. 6.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the President of the United States, died at the white house at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Death came after a brave struggle of months against Bright's disease with complications.

The president was completely unnerved by the shock and his grief was heartrending. He bore up under the strain, however, and devoted himself to his daughters.

The end came while Mrs. Wilson was unconscious. Her illness took a turn for the worse shortly before 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and from then on she gradually grew weaker.

Kneeling at the bedside at the end were the president and their three daughters. Dr. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N., and a nurse were in the room, and just outside a door were Secretary McAdoo and Francis B. Sayre, Mr. Wilson's sons-in-law, and Mr. Tumulty, his secretary.

Both houses of congress adjourned when Mrs. Wilson's death was announced, and for a brief time the wheels of the government virtually stopped.

#### Beginning of End.

The beginning of the end came at 10 o'clock this morning, when Dr. E. P. Davis, of Philadelphia, who had been called in for consultation, realized the time for hope had passed. He took the president into the red room and there, in a broken voice, told him the truth. Mr. Wilson's face blanched, but he bore the shock well. He was informed the end was a question of hours.

Mr. Wilson then took his daughters Mrs. W. G. McAdoo, Mrs. Sayre and Miss Margaret Wilson, aside and told them. Until then they had thought there was a chance for her recovery.

From that time on the president and his daughters remained constantly at the bedside. The president held his wife's head, and the three daughters grouped nearby. Until she became unconscious Mrs. Wilson frequently nodded to one or the other and smiled cheerfully.

During the day Mrs. Wilson spoke to Dr. Grayson about the president, of whose health she thought more than she did of her own.

#### Supreme Devotion.

"Promise me," she whispered, faintly, "that if I go you will take care of my husband—" It was the same touch of devotion which she so many times had repeated—her constant anxiety having been that the president might not worry about her or be disturbed in official tasks.

The president returned to the sick room, from the last conference with the doctor, his three daughters leaning on his arm. Francis Bowes Sayre and Secretary McAdoo, and Secretary Tumulty stayed outside the door. Mrs. Wilson lapsed into unconsciousness, but rallied. By 1 o'clock she began to sink rapidly. She still could recognize those about her, and looked cheerfully toward them and smiled.

At 2 o'clock Mrs. Wilson still was conscious, but her strength almost had departed, and a few minutes later she sank into the sleep of unconsciousness from which she never awoke. For three hours the president and his three daughters gazed longingly into her eyes in the hope that she might speak again, but she could not. The sun was casting its long shadows from the Potomac to the south grounds, coloring the fountains, gardens and elms.

There was hushed stillness in the upper apartments. All eyes were turned toward the southwest corner of the house.

Just at the hour of 5 death came. The president and his daughters were in tears. Secretary Tumulty walked slowly to the executive office, his head bowed. Quietly he announced to the correspondents that the end had come.

#### COLUMBIA COUNCILMEN.

### Dr. M. M. Rice Elected to Fill Unexpired Term.

Columbia, Aug. 4.—In a second race, Dr. M. M. Rice was today elected to fill an unexpired term as city councilman for Columbia. The total vote cast was 1,110 for Dr. Rice and 950 for P. H. Lesesne. Local interest in the election was intense.

Street urchins in a Pittsburg park made couples who wanted to "spoon" pay fifty cents for the use of the benches.

## ROBERT A. THOMPSON DEAD.

### Last Survivor of Secession Ordinance Signers.

Wahalla, Aug. 7.—Robert A. Thompson, the last surviving signer of the South Carolina ordinance of secession, died here today at 11 a. m., in his 83rd year. He died of the infirmities of old age.

Col. Thompson was well past four score years, and he was the last of his generation. He had a long and useful life, and he had a prominent part in South Carolina history.

In his boyhood Col. Thompson learned the printer's trade, and he worked for a while on a newspaper at old Pendleton. That was long before the Civil war. Later he studied law, and in 1860 he was a practicing attorney at old Pickens, and his standing was such that he was elected a member of the Secession convention. He was the last surviving member of the patriots who signed the ordinance that severed South Carolina from the Union. This was in Charleston in December, 1860, nearly 54 years ago. When the war broke out he volunteered, of course, and he rose to the command of a regiment.

After the war Oconee county was cut off from Pickens, and Wahalla was selected as the county seat. Col. Thompson located there and has lived there ever since, editing the Keowee Courier and practicing his profession, and enjoying the love and confidence of all the people. Col. Thompson was a lawyer, and a good one, but he spent as much time in trying to get people to compromise their differences as he ever spent in the court room. He was the friend and counselor, without fee or reward, of a host of people. He was a lawyer who discouraged litigation.

Col. Thompson was not an assertive man; he did not push himself forward as many men have done; but he was a man of fine intellect and strong mind, and the people of his section recognized these qualities and they always honored him when they could. No man ever stood higher in the esteem of his friends and neighbors.

## WARBURG AND DELANO NAMED

### The Confirmation of These Two Completes New Banking Board.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Nominations of Paul M. Warburg, of New York, and Frederic A. Delano, of Chicago, as members of the Federal reserve board, were confirmed tonight by the senate.

With the confirmation of Mr. Warburg and Mr. Delano the new banking board is complete. Other members are: W. P. G. Harding, of Birmingham; Adolph C. Miller, of San Francisco; Charles P. Hamlin, of Boston, and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Comptroller of the Currency Williams as ex-officio members.

The confirmation of the New York and Chicago members came at the close of a five-hour debate, most of the time having been consumed by Senator Bristow, of Kansas, who attacked Mr. Warburg. In the course of the debate Senator Bristow and Senator Stone, of Missouri, became involved in a heated personal argument which for a time looked threatening.

Eleven Senators voted against Mr. Warburg, only one of them, Lane, of Oregon, being a Democrat. Senator Bristow was the only Senator to vote against Mr. Delano.

#### GIRL KILLED AT PICNIC.

### Annual Political Meeting at Tirzah Marred by Accident.

Yorkville, Aug. 7.—The annual picnic at Tirzah, six miles east of Yorkville, was held today in connection with the county campaign.

A sad and deplorable feature of the occasion was the accidental death of Miss Bessie Hawkins, the eighteen-year-old daughter of Rans Hawkins, a prosperous farmer of this section. A pair of spirited young mules, driven by a brother of Miss Hawkins, were attached to a phaeton, in which she, together with several younger brothers and sisters, were going to the picnic grounds. A motorcycle, ridden by John Cameron, a young white man, passed the team at a rapid rate, frightening it, causing it to shy. The young lady either jumped or was thrown to the ground, falling on her head and fracturing her skull, dying shortly afterwards. An inquest was held and Cameron was held responsible for the victim's death, and was ordered by the coroner to be committed to jail, but has been released on \$500 bond. None of the other occupants of the vehicle were injured.